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Food & Drug Administration  
5630 Fishers Ln, Rm 1061  
Rockville, MD 20852

Re: Docket # 98N-1038, Irradiation in the Production, Processing  
and Handling of Food

To Whom It May Concern:

I write to say that the FDA should RETAIN the current labeling law, the current terminology of "treated with irradiation," and the use of the radura symbol on all irradiated whole foods.

It makes no difference to me that the FDA has approved irradiation as safe. All irradiated foods contain unique radiolytic products that have never been tested. In addition, it causes chemical changes that are potentially hazardous along with nutritional losses.

I HAVE A RIGHT TO KNOW IF THIS PROCESS  
HAS BEEN USED ON MY FOOD.

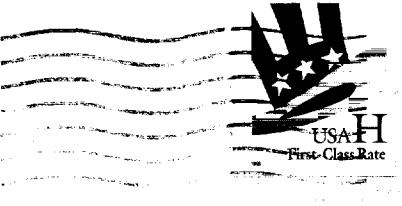
Furthermore, I believe that FDA's labeling requirement  
should not be permitted to expire, EVER.

Most sincerely,

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